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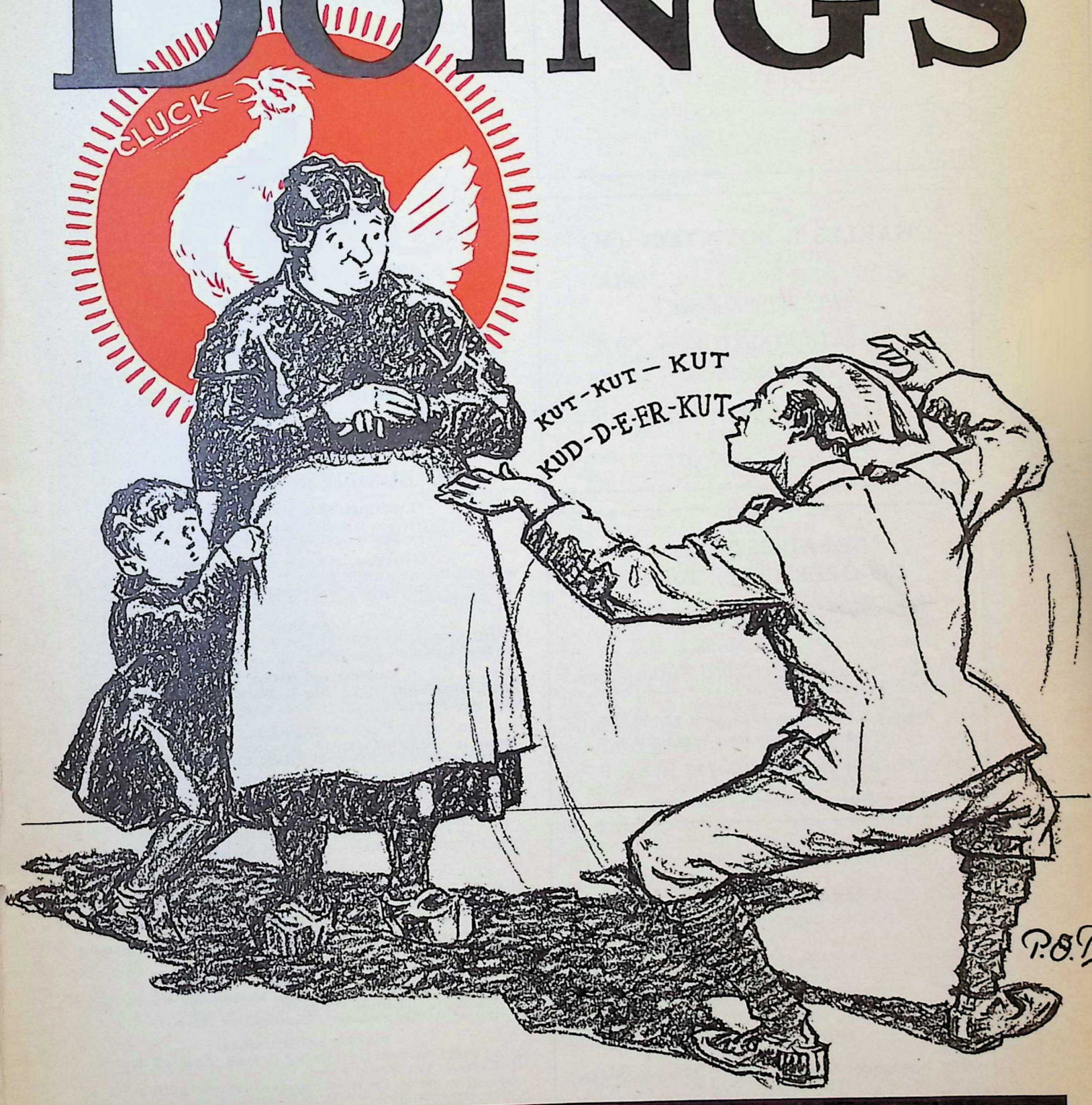

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Once again, the old familiar slogan. And, sorry as we are to have to say it, it means just what it says.

If your dues are still unpaid, for one reason or another, DOINGS states that it absolutely refuses to cross your threshold again. It's a hard feller to argue with, so unless you feel in the mood for signing a check, you better shake hands with this issue and bid it a fond farewell. We've argued with it in the name of sweet charity, but DOINGS says that it has already gone chasing over the country into homes for two months without getting a handout, and its bump of charity is worn smooth.

After all, it's a pretty good guy, and many of its friends like to hear it knocking on the door once a month, so perhaps you can give it a stopping place for another year.

DO IT NOW, you procrastinating blankety-blank!

IN APPRECIATION

TO MY COMRADES OF THE YD CLUB:

I wish it were possible to write each and every one of you a personal note of deepest appreciation for the loyalty and comradeship you have shown to me during my happy two years as your President, and, especially, to tell you of my deep feelings at your wonderful tribute at the last meeting of the Club.

All my life I will cherish your beautiful gift, and more than that will I value the expression of your friendship and the thought of me back of it all.

When a great thing like that comes to a man from the comrades he has served with in War and in Peace, it makes life very much worthwhile.

I thank you, my comrades, from the bottom of my heart.

Boston
May 4

CARROLL J. SWAN (M)

ABOUT THOSE SERVICE CERTIFICATES

In the first place, for the love of Pete, please don't write asking if your Certificate is lost, or if we've run off with your jack. It isn't and we haven't.

The first deliveries were made on May 1 to several men who called at the Club. The first lot were put in the mail on May 3, about 50 in number. Others are being mailed as fast as we receive them from General Edwards, who is signing them at the rate of 25 to 30 a day. So please be patient just a little longer if yours hasn't arrived yet. You'll be a long time dead and your grandchildren will pause in awe and wonder before the record of the prowess of their grandsire.

To be frank the number of orders came near swamping us. First the drawing had to be made and approved; next a lithographic plate was made and a large number of copies struck off. This took some time, but it was only the beginning. Duplicate lists of names of applicants had to be sent to the engrosser and every name engrossed by hand. Back from the engrossers, the blue legal seal must needs be affixed, very carefully to each one. Then they were ready for the "Old Man's" signature, which of course meant a trip out to Doneroving. As they come back completed, each one has to have a hand-addressed label affixed to the mailing tube, has to be rolled with a covering sheet of tissue paper, to be inserted and stamped. It may not sound like much for one, but when they are coming by the hundreds, and there are only a few of us to handle them—well, it's plenty.

Nevertheless, now that the system is in operation, we are ready to handle all comers. If you haven't yet ordered yours now is the time.

An application blank appears elsewhere in this issue.

"There goes another life," growled the cat as he crawled out from under the steam roller.

BETWEEN OURSELVES

Assuming for the sake of the exposition that a gentleman endowed with a reasonable amount of what we like to call human intelligence were living on the planet Mars and were equipped with a telescope of sufficient power to observe and understand the manifold incidents and activities of our terrestrial sphere, it seems quite possible that this hypothetical gentleman would be engaged at the present moment in scratching his hypothetical head.

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Ten years ago, as he sat in his sky parlor and gazed upon the panorama of earthly life, he might have been at a loss to explain the prodigious and murderous activity manifest over a large part of the earth's surface. On the land, on the seas, beneath the seas, and in the air, he would have beheld man intent upon slaughter. Especially would his attention have been attracted to those conflicts of the air, where circling creatures, like gigantic birds of prey, wheeled and darted about one another until one or the other went down to death and destruction. Being, as we have assumed, a man of intelligence, and knowing well Nature's law of the survival of the strong, the extinction of the weak, the conclusion could scarcely have escaped him that here were two species engaged in combat to the death, that no quarter would be asked or given until one species or the other were extinct.

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But after an interval of ten years he spies one day two of these birdmen peacefully winging their way toward the land inhabited by some 150,000,000 of their enemies. "Ah," thinks he, "the lamb enters the lion's den, but when they lie down together, the lamb will be inside the lion. Splendid courage, but utter foolhardiness."

They drop to land in a Dominion, thousands of whose sons have fallen prey to the huntsmen of their race. (Remember, this is not one of us speaking, but the gentleman on the planet Mars.) Are they immediately overpowered and slain amid paeans of rejoicing vengeance? No. Bells ring out; men shout and cheer and vie with one another to do them honor. As conquering heroes they ride through the streets of the great cities in colorful and glittering triumph. One of their ancient enemies arises from a bed of sickness to bring them aid and to hasten the day of their glory; he dies, and they in turn bow in reverence before his grave.

"What is all this?" asks our hypothetical Martian, "Here is a new thing; a phenomenon which Nature's law fails to explain. I do not understand it." And so he scratches his hypothetical head.

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May we not well scratch our own real heads? What is the answer to the mystery? Is it not that while man is an animal and obey's Nature's law of existence by strength alone, he is also more than an animal, and at times rises to a knowledge of the greater law of common humanity?

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As Locarno was greater than Versailles, as the Cross is greater than the sword, so are the German people greater as their representatives stand with bared heads before Floyd Bennett's grave, and the American people are greater as they justly acclaim the daring exploit of the German aviators.

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As it is an acknowledged fact that peace is better than war, it is reassuring to find that ten years suffices for men who grapple at one another's throats to bury hatreds and perceive with unclouded vision the common aspirations of all mankind. Other wars may come; Nature's laws are exacting and demand the toll of obedience; but no man or race of men can be wholly doomed which can rise from the spirit of 1918 to the spirit of 1928.

YD MEN IN NEW YORK AND VICINITY

A movement is on foot to revive the YD Club of New York. Efforts are being made to sign up every YD man in New York City and surrounding villages as a member of the Y.D.V.A.

In addition to this ALFRED MEYEROWITZ (M), 15 Maiden Lane, who is sponsoring the activity, desires every man in that locality to get in touch with him, with the object in view of getting together a real, live YD Club in the metropolis, and holing meetings, dinners, etc.

Our files show that there are about 50 Y.D.V.A. members in New York and nearby points. Will each one of them who reads this drop a line to MEYEROWITZ (M)?

WERE YOU WOUNDED?

Approximately 6,000 of 182,622 surviving soldiers who were wounded during the World War, have failed to receive the silver button and memorial certificate prescribed by Congress for such service.

It is explained at the War Department that it has sought every possible means to get in contact with those entitled to these undelivered certificates, in order to effect delivery, but so far without success.

If you are entitled to one of these certificates and buttons, and have not yet made application, please DO NOT write to the Y.D.V.A., but send a copy of your discharge to the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C.

He's so dumb he thinks a goblet is a small sailor.

APREMONT DAY AT GREENFIELD

A wildly hilarious throng of 104th Infantry veterans gathered in Greenfield on April 27. They were more than 1200 strong, said to be three times as large a number as ever signed up on the first day of any reunion. From the four corners of the United States they came to shake former comrades by the hand and review the days of Auld Lang Syne when they were wearing "tin hats" and "nosebags."

Every street corner, every hotel entrance, and all up and down the main thoroughfare of Greenfield had its quota of grinning veterans, most of them in "BZ Cits," but with here and there a khaki uniform worn by those who "hadn't developed too much embonpoint" and a few wearing the uniform of the active 104th National Guard.

Banquets Numerous

The banquets of the various companies were the highlights of today's party and an uproarious greeting was given the guests of honor, Brig. Gen. B. FRANK CHEATHAM (M), Quartermaster General of the United States Army; Maj. Gen. William P. Jackson, representing the Secretary of War, and Maj. Gen. WILLIAM C. HAYES, who with their party made their rounds of the restaurants and made short talks.

One of the outstanding features of the day was a resolution, a singularly significant one, passed by the executive committee. The text follows:

> "Be it resolved, that on the 10th reunion of the 104th Infantry, A. E. F. Veterans Association, ten years after the close of the World War, we extend a cordial welcome to this country to the German fliers, here interpolate the name in a spirit of comradeship for their daring in crossing the Atlantic in an airplane."

Gen. Cheatham (M) Cheered

Many of the veterans came far, one even traveling from Seattle to greet his former buddies; another from Nebraska and many from States in the South and Central West.

The honored guests were tendered a special dinner at the Mansion House.

The visiting generals and their party first entered the room adjacent to theirs at the Mansion House, where the members of E Co. were assembled. A long yell went up as they entered and one chap, as soon as it had quieted down, declaimed in a loud voice as he clasped Gen. CHEATHAM's (M) hand:

"Say, don't he look young, fellows." Gen. Cheatham grinned his pleasure and retorted, "Yes, and he feels young, too."

The next outfits to be addressed were the Machine Gun Company and K Co. Here another three rousing cheers and a tiger were given for each "buddy general," as one wag put it. Gen. CHEATHAM, however, remained the prime favorite throughout the visitations.

B Co. was next in order and then L, G and C companies had a large turnout and they made the rafters ring both as the party entered and left; in fact, a great deal of the boys' time was spent in shouting something or other, not that it meant anything particular, but just from sheer exuberance. They had to let off steam and they did.

Headquarters Company did not have such a large turnout as the other outfits, but what they lacked in numbers they made up for in enthusiasm. One of their number rushed up to Gen. CHEATHAM, threw one arm around him and grasping him by the hand said, "Hello, Colonel. Do you remember the time you gave me h—— for not polishing my rifle?" During the war Gen. CHEATHAM (M) was colonel of the 104th Regiment for a time. Gen. CHEATHAM may not have remembered it, but he gave no sign, grinned and gave an appropriate answer which was lost in the cheers.

The last visitation was to D Co. at the Weldon Hotel, with nearly 100 members present. Here the party remained for some time. The banquets were followed by a dance in the Armory.

Second Day

On Saturday, April 28, despite the heavy downpour of rain and snow, the second day of the meeting opened in an auspicious manner. Promptly at 10 o'clock the delegates opened the Annual Meeting in Washington Hall, after which the parade over the principal streets of the town was held.

The line of march was crowded with visitors and townspeople who stood in the cold to witness the greatest and biggest event ever held in Greenfield.

Companies of National Guardsmen from all over the State turned out, coming on special trains to take part. The parade was reviewed by army officials as well as State and county officials. There were about 2000 in line.

The business meeting in the morning opened with a silent tribute to the memory of departed comrades, after which Major-General B. FRANK CHEATHAM (M) took charge of the meeting. Major-General WILLIAM C. HAYES of Springfield was presented with a framed memorial from the members of the association.

The winners of the essay contest on the history of the 104th Regiment were announced by Chairman EARL MCGUIRE of the general committee.

Meet Next in Northampton

It was voted to hold the reunion next year at Northampton. A committee was named consisting of JOSEPH HINES (M) of Springfield, Mass., ARCHIE MURRAY of Worcester, FRANK REARDON of Worcester, GEORGE H. MARTIN of Turners Falls, and DONALD CURSHAW of Longmeadow to raise funds for the 104th for the YD Memorial.

Brigadier-General JOHN H. SHERBURNE (LM) ex-

plained about the memorial and the plan to charter a ship to take the boys over.

Gen. HAYES was appointed a member of the YD Overseas Memorial Committee to represent the 104th Infantry. Each company is planning for a drive to raise its quota of $700.

The History Committee report was read and the committee was instructed to proceed in getting the data together. The committee is made up of GEORGE A. ROBERTS (M) chairman, and W. P. FORREST of Springfield, and MARCEL J. LADOUCEUR and L. A. WAGNER (M) of Holyoke.

The work of the committee is to get the history of all companies together. Companies were asked to make reports to permanent Executive Secretary L. A. WAGNER (M) after which the Executive Committee will appoint a historian who will write the history of the 104th Infantry.

Company C of Worcester is the only company at the present time which has published its history. It is planned to use all messages and orders of the regiment in this story when completed.

Pictures of Decoration

Each delegate was presented with a picture of the decoration of the colors of the 104th Regiment by General F. F. G. PASSAGA (HM) of the French army on April 28, 1918, this picture being made from a special drawing of the mural painting on the walls of the State House at Boston and was prepared for the reunion by the artist who painted the State House mural.

The officers elected for the year at the meeting this morning were: Honorary Commander, Major-General B. FRANK CHEATHAM (M); Commander, Major THOMAS J. HAMMOND (M) of Northampton; Senior Vice-Commander, DANIEL A. JONES of Worcester; Junior Vice-Commander, FREDERICK GLENNS of Holyoke; Treasurer, Lieutenant-Colonel GEORGE A. ROBERTS (M) of Springfield; Permanent Executive Secretary, LAWRENCE A. WAGNER (M) of Holyoke. The reunion came to a close with the annual show in Washington Hall.

MEDALS AGAIN

Let's get it straight. Yes, we have no medals today. Scarcely a day passes but some reader writes: "Please send me one of the Verdun medals," or perchance: "Please send me one of the Victory medals."

We will gladly furnish any veteran of the YD with an *application* for a Victory medal. The medals themselves are disbursed by the Adjutant General of the Army in Washington upon receipt of the application, properly filled out.

As for the Verdun medals, the proper procedure, as stated last month, is to mail an attested or photostatic copy of your army discharge, together with 60 cents, to the Verdun Medal Commission, c|o the Mayor, Verdun, France. We do not vouch for the result.

"THE CALVARY OF VERDUN"

Despite all efforts to appear businesslike and prompt, circumstances seem to prevent our keeping our promises.

First it was the Verdun medals. About seventy-five trusting souls sent their 40 cents on a pilgrimage last September with the American Legion in the hopes of obtaining one of these. As yet about one-half that number has got any response.

Then came the Service Certificates. To be sure, they are now being mailed out, but it took about three times as long as the applicants had any right to expect.

Now it is General PASSAGA's (HM) book, "The Calvary of Verdun," announced in the April number of YANKEE DOINGS as on sale at the YD Club of Boston. And here's where we pass the buck right up to a colonel, PAUL J. NORTON (M) by name, who gave us assurance that by the time the announcement appeared the books would be on hand. They are not and the jovial Paul has betaken himself upon one of his semi-monthly trips to Europe. So please—don't send for one until you hear that they are actually ready for delivery.

The several who have already ordered one may still sleep the sleep of the innocent. Their money is safe and credited to their names.

FLEW TO BOSTON TO ATTEND BANQUET

Editor of YANKEE DOINGS:

The following members of the 101st Machine Gun Battalion attended the Y.D.V.A. banquet on April 7: WILSON FALLS (M), HARRY GOODWIN (M), and ERNEST C. CLARK (M). We all enjoyed it greatly. I was fortunate in being able to fly to Boston on that afternoon in one of our National Guard planes from Hartford; probably the only one at the reunion to come by air.

ERNEST C. CLARK (M)
Hartford, Conn., May 2 (101st M. G .Bn.)

BUSY DAYS THESE

The well-known little bee had little if anything on your editor and the office force of the YD Club of Boston these days.

With dues coming in, notices going out, certificates being mailed, banquets, smokers, reunions, dances, new officers taking office, DOINGS going to press and a few other incidentals, we manage to keep out of mischief.

Some day, when you want to find out just how many man hours of labor your five dollars or two dollars is buying, drop in and watch BILL SNYDER and Miss Langley and the rest of us doing our stuff.

The number of operations necessary just to put through one new membership or one renewal would surprise the average member. But, oh boy, that's the sort of work we like. So don't forget, DUES ARE DUE.

YD CLUB OF PORTLAND FETES GENERAL EDWARDS

By "Minnie La Tour" (M)

April 27th was the eve of a day which has been looked forward to with a great deal of anticipation by the Portland YD Club and it loyal Auxiliary, it being the day of the visit of General and Mrs. CLARENCE R. EDWARDS (LM) to the Club and Auxiliary.

The honored guests arrived in Portland about 8:00 P. M., being met by the President, JESSE D. MOODY (M), Mr. KING (AM) and GEORGE W. MORRELL (M).

Much to our sorrow when we awoke Saturday morning we found that the weather man had given us an assortment of unusually bad weather but the program was carried out without a hitch, starting at 10:00 A. M. when the committees received the General and Mrs. Edwards at the hotel.

The party visited the Chamber of Commerce and were very kindly received by the officers of that organization who presented Mrs. Edwards with roses. From here they went to the Elks Home where they were joined by the entire committee—all going to the Marine Hospital. Headed by GEORGE W. MORRELL (M), chairman of the transportation committee, the party rode over Congress Street to Fort Allen Park and around the Eastern Promenade where the distinguished guests, despite the inclement weather were able to glimpse the beautiful Casco Bay with many of the low lying islands in the distance. On arriving at the hospital the party was received by the officer in charge, Dr. George Parcher, and his staff, who conducted a tour of inspection among the wards. The General and Colonel HUME (M) of the 103rd. Inf. were pleasantly surprised to meet two men from the old YD—WILLIAM (BILLY) ROGERS (G Co., 103rd Inf.) and FRED PRATT (A Co., 103rd Inf.). ROGERS was known to several of the delegation including GEORGE MORRELL (M), and LEON E. HALL (M) who was a patient in Base Hospital 20 when ROGERS entered. Mrs. Edwards was especially interested, showing her sympathetic interest in the welfare of the veterans.

Coming into the city again the party was welcomed at the City Hall auditorium by officials on behalf of the city government. The General was met by the Boy Scout Executive of Cumberland County and escorted to the middle of the hollow square of boy scouts. The Scout bugle-and-drum-corps payed proper military honors. The General then inspected the ten troops represented, after which he was honored with the rank of Honorary Tenderfoot and the scout oath was administered by the Boy Scout Executive. The General then decorated four scouts with badges of Eagle Scout, and after a short address was given three cheers.

At the Elks Home a luncheon was held in honor of the visiting General who is a life member of the Elks. This was a stag affair and was greatly enjoyed by all present. General EDWARDS (LM) delivered one of his famous addresses which have endeared him to the hearts of those men who served under him during the World War. Another luncheon was sponsored by the YD Auxiliary with Mrs. Edwards as guest of honor. The President, Mrs. Leon E. Hall, gave the address of welcome and at the conclusion two charming little girls presented Mrs. Edwards with a lovely bouquet of roses and forget-me-nots to which she responded in a very fitting manner.

The events of the afternoon started at 3:15 when the party visited the G. A. R. home. A touching incident of this visit was the fact that last year the General met ten G. A. R. men but this year only two of those were there. The rest have gone to that Valhalla of brave and heroic men. *Requiescat in Pace.* Brave men: you go to prepare the way for those who are to come. We salute you!

The party then motored to Westbrook where the General and the President of the Auxiliary decorated the grave of STEPHEN W. MANCHESTER for whom the American Legion Post of Westbrook was named, in honor of all YD dead in Portland and vicinity. The Elks Rest was decorated by Brother Elks, CLARENCE R. EDWARDS (LM) and WARREN C. KING (M). Graves of RALPH CALDWELL and PHILIP B. FROTHINGHAM were visited next and the last visit was paid to Caldwell Square where a brief ceremony was held. The procession of fifteen cars, led by GEORGE W. MORRELL (M) in the escort car followed by the General, his car bearing the two star flag, attracted much attention.

At 6:30 the Banquet of the evening was held in the main dining room at the Elks Club attended by many notable persons in the Civic, State and Military life, among them being General and Mrs. Edwards, the honor guests, Governor and Mrs. Brewster, General and Mrs. GREENLAW (M), General and Mrs. HANSON (M), Col. HUME (M), Lt. Col. BISBEE of the present 103rd Inf. and Lt. Col. IRELAND of the old 103rd and at present with the O.R.C., and assigned to the 5th U. S. Infantry. While speaking of the present 103rd it might be well to state that at the recent inspection sixteen out of twenty outfits were classed by Maj. Maddox as very satisfactory and the other four as satisfactory. Our Massachusetts friends can see that the 103rd of to-day is still living up to the tradition of the war-time outfit.

Music for the banquet was furnished by the 5th Infantry Orchestra (especially appreciated by the General). JESSE MOODY (M) stated that he had promised Col. HUME (M) he would not be asked to speak in the Lodge room where the party gathered

after the banquet, so called on the popular colonel of the 103rd Infantry who paid his respects to his former chief in brief but glowing words, his remarks receiving thunderous applause. After the gathering of nearly one hundred persons was seated in the Lodge Room, the General was escorted in by WARREN C. KING (AM) followed by two boy scouts and Herbert Oerter dressed as a marine. The latter sang two patriotic songs while his scout companions stood at attention.

The remarks of Col. KEVILLE (LM) on the Memorial were very interesting and well received and we hope the remarks will bear fruit. Would like to give the talk of WILLIAM BROWN (LM) in its entirety but we are not a shorthand expert. To our mind it was one of the best. The Boston Club is to be congratulated on the oratorical ability of its Chief Executive.

At eleven o'clock, the sacred hour for all Elks, the Memorial Oration was delivered by Chaplain Welch of the Elks, followed by Taps. It was a very impressive service and gave those present a better understanding of what an Elk really is.

Mr. and Mrs. BROWN, Col. KEVILLE (LM) and other visitors from the YD Club of Boston were very pleasantly received and all are hoping they will come again. The strong comradeship between the Portland and Boston clubs was made even stronger by their coming.

Another of the many visitors was JOHN J. LYDON (101st Inf.). He gave us many side-lights on the General during the tour of the city that were very interesting to those who were not so well acquainted.

Mention should be made of the very efficient work of GEORGE W. MORRELL (M) who was in charge of the transportation, having cars enough so that all who wished enjoyed the afternoon. The speakers for the evening were also well selected and the day's program was handled very efficiently.

HOW ABOUT A FRAME?

If a sufficiently large demand is evidenced the Yankee Division Veterans Association will have a large number of plain, black frames made up, with glass, for framing the Service Certificates.

These will be complete, ready for the insertion of the certificate. They will be packed to insure breakage, and will sell for $1.50.

If this interests you let us know.

NEW DIVISION COMMANDER

Brigadier General ALFRED F. FOOTE (M), who commanded the 104th Infantry during the Chateau Thierry engagement, and was later made Division Inspector, was appointed by Governor Fuller on May 3, to succeed Lieut. General EDWARD L. LOGAN (M) (Ret.), as Commanding General of the 26th Division, National Guard, with the rank of Major General.

General FOOTE (M) is also Commissioner of Public Safety of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WHERE IS STAMFORD?

EDITOR OF YANKEE DOINGS:

Say, buddy, just a few lines to say that my YANKEE DOINGS arrived, and as per usual, it went the rounds of the family just like that old brown pot of beans on Saturday night.

I am very sorry, just like lots more of the boys of the Y.D.V.A., that I missed that Glorious time, but please rest assured that although I was not with you in body, I was there in spirit.

How grand it is to think that we have such a fine lot of buddies taking care of our Y.D.V.A. and also how splendidly they have all proven their worth in the past year. Wonderful reports, splendid returns, are the results of their year just closed. Past Officers: I salute you. Present Officers: I promise to do all I can for you from this end of Fairfield County.

I paid a visit to Stamford recently, and to my horror and amazement, *they did not know we had a Y.D.V.A.!* All I could say was, "Row-de-dow, what kep' yer?"

However, I told them I would pay them one more visit, and that would be to present them with the grandest paper known: YANKEE DOINGS, and each an application for membership in the Y.D.V.A.

Kindly extend to the present Officers and Staff my best wishes for a prosperous year, and do not forget to ask "The Old Man" to hurry and sign my certificate.

Well, so long, editor, and keep our DOINGS doing all the time.

Yours from "the city that crowns them all."

WILLIAM P. ADAMS (M)
(102nd Amb. Co.)

Danbury, Conn.
May 4.

THE HOUSE OF HANOVER

On Saturday and Sunday, May 5 and 6, the members of the retiring Board of Governors of the YD Club of Boston, together with the members of the new Board, were guests of Colonel "JOHNNY" OSBORN (M) at his farm in Hanover, Mass.

The purpose of the gathering was to tender a glorious farewell party to the Club's popular retiring president, CARROLL J. SWAN (M).

As the date was too late for the inclusion of any detailed account in this month's paper, it is hoped to be able to tell more of what went on next month, although doubtless many incidents will be forever buried in silence. A farm in Hanover is just about the only place to throw a proper YD party, and if our judgment is to be accepted "Cap'n Johnny" knows how to throw one.

CORRECTION

E. J. ZIEGLER (M) writes that his name was misspelled in the last issue of DOINGS and also that he was in F Co., 103rd Infantry, and not in E Co. We are glad to make these corrections, feeling certain that Mr. ZIEGLER knows best.

SEICHEPREY DAY AT NEW HAVEN

On April 21, the Commonwealth of Connecticut joined with veterans of the 102nd Infantry in paying tribute to the memory of those heroes who lie beneath "crosses row on row in Flanders' Field."

Through its Governor, John H. Trumbull, Connecticut honored those who gave "the last full measure of devotion" through service to the United States in time of emergency.

High state and military dignitaries witnessed the greatest military pageant since the war torn days of ten years ago when the Eastern horizon was bloodshot with the tragedy perpetrated by the lords of war.

Two high spots marked the day's activities. Late in the afternoon General George C. Cole, adjutant general of Connecticut, acting for Major General Preston Brown, U. S. A., affixed to the colors of the 102nd Infantry the 20 battle streamers ordered by the War Department in recognition of the regiment's activities in the services of the country.

Governor Trumbull was principal speaker at the annual banquet of YD veterans, in the evening.

Governor Trumbull who spoke at the ceremonies on the Green, at which time the battle streamers were affixed to the colors of the 102nd Regiment, eulogized the command, eloquently outlining the history of the regiment.

New Haven never was so enthusiastic in its endorsement of a military gesture as it was in giving its approval to the ceremonies attendant upon the tenth anniversary of the Battle of Seicheprey. The occasion was the second annual observation of the day and New Haven literally jammed the line of march to witness the pageant of military strength which was displayed.

The command assembled with other units in and about the armory and at 3.30 P.M. there began the most colorful parade that New Haven ever has witnessed.

At 6:30 P.M. veterans of the Yankee Division and their invited guests sat down to a banquet in the quaint, colorful dining hall of Thomas Fitz-Simmons, in Gregson Street. On a dais at the front of the dining hall was an orchestra which kept up a barrage of popular songs until the speakers were introduced. Behind them a huge canvas depicted the church in the village of Belleau which the Yankee Division is reconstructing as a memorial to those comrades who did not come back.

Among the important invited guests were Governor John H. Trumbull, Lieut. Gov. J. E. Brainard, Brig. Gen. JOHN H. SHERBURNE (LM), Brig. Gen. JAMES J. HAGGERTY, Colonel ROBERT O. EATON and Captain DANIEL W. STRICKLAND (M).

YD Veterans, members of the V. F. W. and every post of the American Legion participated in the parade.

OH WELL, IF THAT'S THE CASE—

YANKEE DOINGS, always eager to assist its readers, herewith submits a ready-made excuse for the non-payment of dues. The privilege is yours to clip and sign the following and remit same in place of check, if it correctly depicts your frame of mind:

Gentlemen:—

For the following reasons I am unable to send you the check asked for:

I have been held up, held down, sandbagged, walked on, sat on, flattened out and squeezed.

First, by the United States Government for Federal War Tax, the excise profit tax, the Liberty Bond Loans, Thrift Stamps, Capital Stock, Merchandise License and Auto Tax, and by every society and organization that the inventive mind of man can invent to extract what I may or may not have in my possession.

From the Society of St. John the Baptist, The D. A. R., The Womens Relief, The Navy League, The Red Cross, The Black Cross, The Purple Cross, The Double Cross, The Children's Home, The Dorcas Society, The Y. M. C. A., The Y. W. C. A., The Salvation Army, The Boy Scouts, The Belgian Relief and every Hospital in town.

The Government has so governed my business that I don't know who owns it. I am inspected, suspected, examined and re-examined, informed, required, and commanded so I don't know where I am, who I am, what I am, or why I am here. All I know is that I am supposed to be an inexhaustible supply of money for every known need, desire or hope of the human race and because I will not sell all I have and go out and beg, borrow or steal money to give away, I am cussed, discussed, boycotted, talked to, talked about, lied to, lied about, held up, hung up, robbed and nearly ruined, and the only reason I am clinging to life is to see what the hell is coming next.

RETURN ENGAGEMENT OF "C. C. BILL"

A few months ago DOINGS carried a brief biographical sketch of a distinguished soldier of the A.E.F. whom we were charitable enough to disguise under the pseudonym of "C. C. Bill." Despite the fake moniker, Bill was a real person, and the anecdotes related of him were no whit overdrawn. His uncanny power of being deathly sick at will eventually brought about the "consummation devoutly to be wished." When the Division left for the front, Bill was transferred to a Depot Battalion and that was the last (but once) we ever saw of him.

At this late date his ghost has chosen to walk. CHARLIE DAVIS (M) (F Co., 101st Engrs.) has sent DOINGS a clipping from the *Boston Post* of February 21, 1919. Get the date, 1919. A proud caption, boxed with a line of flags, bravely stirring in the breeze, tells the trusting reader that this is one of a series of actual letters written by soldiers telling their true experiences in the World War. The letter is one written by our old friend, Bill. We still withhold his name. Read his letter and weep.

"One of my first army experiences was with gas, in the Chemin des Dames sector. I just escaped 'going west' in this manner. My next experience of an exciting nature was at Chateau Thierry, July 22.

"We got the order to go over the top and we did so, but the sacrifice was heavy. It was here that I received my first wound, which was a very ugly one, and it was from work I performed in this battle that I received the Medal of Honor.

"While lying seriously wounded I happened to hear a Boche advancing on a comrade of mine. He was a captain whose name I cannot recall. I saw his 'gat' lying near him, and seeing that he was unable to protect himself I drew it and fired at the German. How I managed to hit the Boche, I do not know—but another officer yelled at me as I fired, "It was a lucky shot, old boy."

"They dragged me back of the lines, where they dressed my wounds. After I got well I went with the boys to St. Mihiel, around August. There I was gassed in such a manner that my eyesight was put out of commission for a few weeks, and I was again sent to the hospital for treatment.

"When once more cured, I was sent to the 12th Engineers, operating in the Argonne Forest. That was a regular trap for the boys, for it was filled with machine gun nests.

"The sights I saw during the fighting there were almost too horrible to bear. There were mutilated bodies of women and children lying in the streets of the settlement near there. Some of them were so terribly mutilated that you could not recognize their features.

"In November, 1918, while working on a military railroad, I received a broken arm, caused by a bad rail. I was again sent to the hospital, where I was treated very well, but kept on saying to myself, 'I don't want to get well,' because there were some very pretty Red Cross nurses in the place.

"In my travels through France I was very much impressed by the beautiful scenery. In some of the places the French people seemed to think a great deal of the Americans, but there were times when the opposite condition seemed to prevail.

"It has been a long, hard, up-hill fight to recover my health, broken by the many wounds I received in service. But I do not regret having done my bit; in fact I would have been very much disappointed had I not had the opportunity to have gone through the campaign I did.

"I was taught many lessons by this war, one of them being to bear with fortitude unavoidable misfortune; and I will say that the boys of the American Army have taken what has been handed to them by the Boche with a smile."

COME DUES—COME NEWS

From Biddeford, Maine, we hear from ARCHIE LABRANCHE (C Co., 101st Inf.), who resides at 27 Quimby Street. He is glad that dues have been raised instead of DOINGS razed; more would be given if needed, but he couldn't stand it to see a smaller DOINGS. As Archie says, he has not been asleep since his discharge—he has four future nurses.

ERNEST J. KLUGE (M) (F Co., 101st Engrs.) 27, The Crescent, Montclair, N. J., says, "Keep the fire hot. YANKEE DOINGS is more than an incident to me—it is a monthly tonic." He is only sorry that he does not get to Boston more often.

After requesting a YD pin, MAURICE KADEN (M) (G Co., 103rd Inf.), 49 French St., Bangor, Me., writes that he is glad to note that the dues have been increased another dollar so that he can continue to have the regular sized copy, which he finds very enjoyable.

"Don't get an idea that a boost in dues of the Y.D.V.A. will have any effect on my membership and activities, for nothing that you can do will scare me away, even if it costs two months' pay for dues or the like. A thing like our Association means so much to those who are and ought to be numbered on its rolls that a little thing like a few kopecks makes no difference so long as the present high standard of its work is maintained." This shows the feelings of another buddy, LEON F. DENIS (M) (Supply Co., 104th Inf.), who is at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

JULIUS T. FEDEL (M) (Med. Det., 101st Engrs.) writes from New York: "It certainly is a pleasure to receive DOINGS and I look forward to its arrival each month."

TENTH ANNUAL BANQUET SIGNAL CORPS VETERANS' ASSOCIATION

By George W. Twombly (M)

This year we had the honor of entertaining General and Mrs. CLARENCE R. EDWARDS (LM) at our annual banquet. We ordinarily have this dinner on April 29, the date of our discharge, but Monday, the 30th, was the best that we could do. The Hotel Bellevue, next to the State House, was the scene of action and Zero Hour was seven o'clock. The first wave blew in about 6:15 and from then on the crowd swarmed in from both entrances.

There were many fellows there who had not been around to any of our meetings for lo! these ten years. What changes have taken place in that time; a little slim boy now has become a fat man; a black haired man is nearly snow white; two or three men have lost most of their hair; some who were jolly during the war seem to have become very serious and some vice versa. It was wonderful to see the bunch together again; those who did not come alone brought their wives, mothers or sweethearts (some had one of each) or some other member of their family.

We sat down at 7:15 and then the General and Mrs. Edwards entered amid much enthusiastic applause. Just as they were sitting a beautiful bouquet was presented to Mrs. Edwards from the Association. During the dinner we were pleasantly entertained by PERLEY WHITE'S (M) orchestra. June Oelrich, a twelve-year-old dancer, rendered some marvelous interpretations; Ruth Sanborn gave an exhibition of toe dancing. A pretty and harmonious duet was sung by Mesdames Schultz and Keenan; the Alpine Trio, radio artists from WLEX, provided entertainment in the way of solos, trios, dancing and harmonica solos. JACK COTTON was Master of Ceremonies.

At the conclusion of the dinner HAROLD SMITH (M) introduced the General and what an after dinner speaker Harold is! He told of the many Club and Y.D.V.A. offices which have been filled by Signal Corps men during the years in which the Club has been in operation and of our hopes and ambitions. We are the first outfit from the division to entertain the General and his wife.

Of course everybody arose when our "Old Man" was introduced and amid much clapping he began to talk. It was a most interesting talk; to see him, to hear him and to meet him was something to which many of our folks had looked forward for a long while. We are glad that such an opportunity was presented. The General spoke briefly of "over there"; he told our mothers and wives what a wonderful bunch we were and he congratulated us upon our "pickings" since we returned. It was with satisfaction that he gazed around the hall. But what did the General mean when he spoke of our fighting in France and then of our marrying upon our return when he began, "Your faces show what you have been through, etc."? The year and a half of war or the ten years since?

General Edwards hopes that we can all go back next year to the dedication of the Memorial Church at Belleau. It is not too early now to start to save for that trip. The General's fervent hope and ambition is for France to give the Yankee Division the right to wear the Fourragere, as he claims that we have been cited three times for valor and, therefore, have earned the right to wear it.

Dancing was much enjoyed at the conclusion of the General's talk. Right here let us speak of the interest taken and the work done by the Banquet Committee. At each committee meeting held during the several weeks preceding the dinner every member was present—a remarkable thing! Following are those who were in charge: JOE GALVIN (M), serving food; "JACK" COTTON, Entertainment; "BILL" BRADY (M), "JIM" WOOD (M), Tickets; HAROLD SMITH (M), Arrangements; "JIM" McGREGOR (M), Worry.

Of course, the center of the head table was occupied by our handsome bachelor, Commander McGREGOR (M), on whose right sat Mrs. Edwards and on whose left were his sister and aunt.

We are pleased to give a list of those who came from greater distances and we trust that we have left out none. Mr. and Mrs. ROGER KELLAR from Manchester, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. ARNOLD BREWER from Boothbay Harbor, Maine.

Milford, Mass., loaned us for the occasion OWEN KEENAN, HENRY "DUTCH" SCHULTZ, and C. E. "BESS" CLARKE (M), all of whom brought their wives. Registered from Springfield, Mass., were Mr. and Mrs. CLIFFORD "TED" HARRIS (M), escorted by Mr. and Mrs. LEO PARADIS. Mr. and Mrs. JOHN RUSSELL BARLOW flew over from Lawrence and were noticed at the same table with the Lynn couple, Mr. and Mrs. ROY M. KNOX (M).

"SOUPY" (M) and Mrs. BILL CAMPBELL breezed in from Beverly Farms. "BILL" McGLONE came up from Framingham, and from the same city, at the head table, we saw Vice Commander and Mrs. ROLAND AVERY (M). Monponsett provided "CHIC" NICHOLL, who brought his wife and his mother. "JIM" McGREGOR'S (M) father and sister came up from Newburyport and GEORGE TWOMBLY'S (M) mother and sister came in from Marblehead.

The following telegram was sent to General Edwards from PAUL W. EVANS (M), "My love and best wishes to you and Mrs. Edwards when you meet with our Battalion tonight."

See you next year.

HONOR ROLLS

By JOHN J. MAGUIRE (M) (F Co., 101st Inf.)

Any Yank who has had occasion to visit the YD Club in the course of an evening's ramble knows of the many and varied topics of discussion which emanate from the "Round Table." Affairs of the city, state, nation, and, verily, the universe, have been decided after weighty argument.

However, it remained for one subject, and a subject that should be dear to all of us, to make an indelible impression on my mind and cause me to travel forth to ascertain the truth for myself. What, you ask, could make an impression on a hard-boiled Yank? The answer is, the erection and care of Honor Rolls.

Starting from the YD Club, I drove about the city and vainly scanned the parks and buildings for a World War Honor Roll. Alas, only too true that it was in vain! Nowhere could one be found. Surely the suburbs must have some—so out through Brighton to Watertown I wended my way. At last I found one. But what a disappointment! Behind the four colonial pillars which grace the front of the Town Hall reposed an Honor Roll. It consisted of cardboard cards inserted in a cardboard index and surrounded by a few strips of wood. So this is the homage that the "Mother Town" of the country pays! To me it seemed a disgrace.

Proceeding to Waltham one may see in the various wards wooden signs which, if you scan them closely, you perceive at some time in the past were Honor Rolls. But time and the elements have obliterated the names, and thus they stand!

Not satisfied, I continued on my way through Wayland and Clinton without discovering any trace of my search until I came to Berlin (Massachusetts). There one may see an Honor Roll in even worse condition than those in Waltham.

Still I must carry on and finally I arrive in the beautiful little village of Harvard. A real old village green, overhung by stately elms, greets the eye of the traveler. Through the tree tops a beautiful sight looms: Old Glory flapping its folds in the breeze. Surely my quest shall end here and I shall find a well-kept Honor Roll. Walking over the green to the flagpole, I discovered a tablet at its base—a tablet dedicated to the memory of the lone soldier from Harvard who paid the supreme sacrifice. Inscribed upon the plate were these words:

> "Dedicated to the soldiers and sailors of the Town of Harvard and to the memory of PRIVATE HOWARD ENOCH THOMAS, Co. M, 101st Infantry, 26th Division, A.E.F., who died of wounds, July 12, 1918, at Chateau Thierry, France."

What an inspiration! To think that one of the smallest towns in the state did not forget, and what could have been more appropriate than that the hero should have been a YD man.

My quest was ended, I found a town that remembered, and not only remembered, but erected, an Honor Roll and preserves it in the condition that it merits.

I shall not report back to the "Round Table," but with these few words I shall try to impress the Yanks with the object lesson that may be learned from my wanderings.

Let every one of us look around our home town and see that the memories of our departed buddies are given their proper respect and recognition. Rather would it be better to tear down some of the disgraceful "billboards" than let them serve as a reminder to us of the post-war enthusiasm of 1919 and the spirit of forgetfulness which prevails today.

THE MAKE-UP BOX

About six months ago YANKEE DOINGS blossomed forth clad as the lillies of the field in a brand new cover design. "Great!" cried some. "Not so hot," remarked others. "Lousy!" yelped still others. Yes and no. We aim to please, but *who* t'ell do we aim to please?

With this number another innovation is brought forth. DOINGS has heretofore spoken only purest monotype; in this issue it bursts out in linotype. If we hadn't told you about it, the chances are you never would have noticed the difference, unless you happen to be a printer or some other low down cuss like that. Nevertheless there is a difference in the type, and incidentally a difference in the printer's monthly bill.

Leaving the price question out of the discussion, it seems to the editors that the new type is much easier to read than the old. At any rate, the bills are easier to pay, which is a fairly important thing.

Incidentally, returning to the cover design again, the number of adverse comments has set our gifted Art Editor, PHIL PALMSTROM (M) to work doping up a design that will perhaps be more pleasing to the majority.

After all, as we repeat for the steenth time, it's your paper.

WESTERN DIVISION OF Y.D.V.A.

At the Annual Convention on April 7, BURTON HARRINGTON (M) of Chicago, speaking from the floor, asked permission to organize a Western Division of the Yankee Division Veterans Association. This was granted with the understanding that it would be a branch of the existing Association, and membership in the existing Association should be required of all who allied themselves with the Western Division.

In other words, Mr. HARRINGTON's plan is to cooperate with the Y D.V.A. by giving the members of the mid-western states a sort of headquarters where they may meet occasionally without journeying to Boston.

As evidence of good faith Mr. HARRINGTON has since written for a roster of all YD men living in the mid-western section of the country. This is being prepared from the Association files.

YANKEE DOINGS welcomes the views of its readers on this project.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND ATHLETIC NIGHT

Following out the custom of the two previous years, the YD Club of Boston combined the installation of the newly elected officers with its annual athletic night at the April smoker.

After a few gang songs the then-President, CARROLL J. SWAN (M), opened the meeting in the usual manner by calling for a moment's silence in memory of the Division's dead, while Taps was played in another part of the building by PERLEY WHITE (M).

The officers of 1927-1928 were seated on the platform, and as each introduced the man who was to succeed him for the coming year, the new officer came to the platform amid rousing applause and the retiring officer descended to take his place among the plain buck members with applause no less hearty.

Much humor was added to the situation as, in several cases, certain officers succeeded themselves in office, notably our old stand-bys, Treasurer RALPH M. EASTMAN (M) and Secretary BILL SNYDER (M). Another laugh maker was President BILL BROWN'S (LM) response to CARROLL SWAN'S (M) glowing and deserved introduction as the new president. Bill chose to reply in a torrent of French. It was good—we know it was good—M. Rene Voisin a native of France and a guest of the Club got a great kick out of it.

This was followed by the most impressive ceremony of the evening. JOHN KELLY (M) (101st Inf.) who carries about with him a permanent souvenir de la guerre in the form of an empty sleeve, was called upon to act as spokesman for the members of the Club in conveying to the retiring President the appreciation of the members for his splendid work during the last two years. Briefly, simply and sincerely, John made the presentation of the beautiful gift which the members of the YD Club of Boston had chosen for their president—a truly beautiful hammered bronze reading lamp, made from a shell casing, and embellished with exquisite hand-tooled designs. The hall was darkened, the bulbs in the lamp switched on, and the cloth which covered it withdrawn, as John finished his few words. Col. SWAN was overwhelmed with emotion and required several moments to regain sufficient composure to speak. His response was couched in the most sincere and whole-hearted words. All stage play, with which he has enlivened many a meeting, was gone. He spoke from the heart, and the cheer which arose at the conclusion came likewise from the inmost heart of his listeners.

Mr. Arthur Ross, manager of the Boston Bruins, runners-up in the recent National Hockey League season, told of his efforts and those of Charley Adams, owner of the team, to provide Boston with a permanent first-class hockey team.

Preceding his appearance "in person," Mr. Ross appeared in the character of "Joe Laporte of Woonsocket." Was his line good? Ask anyone who heard him. We don't dare print it: that's how good it was.

The light entertainment of the evening was in charge of Billy Barker of Keith's circuit, who troupe several numbers between the speakers representing the different branches of sport. Among these was Mr. Kellar, impersonator and soloist; Miss Wilson, pianist; two eccentric dancers (male) whose names unfortunately are not available.

In addition, Rene Voisin, solo cornetist of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, a frequent and welcome guest of the Club, rendered several selections in a manner worthy of the great organization which he represents. JOHN DENNIHAN (M) was unable to seclude himself and graciously came through in his usual splendid style.

Other speakers of the evening were Joe McKenney, head football coach of Boston College and former star fullback; "Honeyboy" Finnegan, the popular Dorchester boxer; our own BEN JAMES (M), holder of several swimming records and an official of the Brookline Swimming Club, and last, but by no means least, the grand old man of the B. A. A. marathon, Clarence De Mar.

Each spoke entertainingly of his own branch of sport, De Mar repeated what he had said in the newspapers, that he was not in the best of condition during the race on April 19. This despite the fact that at forty years of age he won for the sixth time. The lord be kind to the rest of the field when Clarence is feeling right.

Doughnuts and coffee, as per usual, topped off the evening.

MEMBERSHIP

The Yankee Division Veterans Association is conducting a campaign for increased membership in districts outside the 15-mile resident area of the YD Club of Boston.

Each month 500 extra copies of YANKEE DOINGS are being distributed, with an enclosed application blank, to former members who have dropped out. It is too early to give any results, but there is every reason to believe that the membership will be built up this year to a figure beyond any it has heretofore reached.

WILLIAM MENARD

Former member of 101st Ammunition Train. He was last heard of three years ago in Buena Vista, Florida. His sister, Mrs. Robert Gamble, Barre, Vermont, wants information.

TEN YEARS AGO

SECRET
Copy No. 10 G-3
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FIELD ORDERS
No. 38

26th Division, A.E.F.
28 May '18——18:00 o'clock

MAPS:
LAHAYVILLE, 1/5,000
RICHECOURT, 1/5,000
PANNES, 1/10,000
MANDRES, 1/10,000

1. A raid in force will be carried out on the front of the 51st Infantry Brigade on Day "D" at Hour "H."

2. OBJECTIVE: CAMP de MOULIN, in the vicinity of coordinates 55.70-33.17 to 55.90-33.34.

3. MISSION: To capture prisoners, materiel and documents; to destroy enemy trenches, dugouts and machine gun emplacements; to lower enemy's morale.

4. TROOPS:

(a) Major James F. Hickey, 101st Infantry.
300 volunteers, 3rd Bn., 101st Infantry.
Detachment of 101st Engineers, 1 Officer and 25 men.
Detachment of 101st Field Signal Bn.
Co. "C," 101st Machine Gun Battalion.
Detachments, 102nd and 103rd Machine Gun Bn.
Detachment, Medical Department.

(b) Artillery — Brigadier General AULTMAN, Commanding.
101st Field Artillery.
102nd Field Artillery.
103rd Field Artillery.
1 Bn. 247th French (5 batteries).
1 Battery, 342nd French.
2nd Bn. 51st C.A.C. U.S.A.
2 Pieces, 155 Long Affut Trucks.

5. INFANTRY: The plan of the raid as submitted by Major HICKEY will be carried out. The Infantry will leave parallel of departure (56.10-32.68 to 56.31-32.87) at "H" Hour, probable duration of raid—one hour, including return.

The Commanding Officer, 102nd Infantry, will issue the necessary instructions to troops in sub-center F-2 and the Commanding Officer, 104th Infantry, will issue the necessary instructions to troops in Centers H-1 and H-2 so that the troops will be withdrawn to the rear of their ordinary night positions for the purpose of avoiding casualties, due to the fire of reprisal which will probably be directed against these sub-centers. Half platoons, however, will be left at appropriate places to protect machine guns engaged in supporting the raid.

6. MACHINE GUNS: The Commanding Officer, 102nd Machine Gun Battalion, is charged with the direction and supervision of machine gun participating, acting in accord with the Commanding Officer, 3rd Bn., 101st Infantry. Machine guns will be so located as to bring a strong fire of interdiction on RICHECOURT and the trenches to the northeast of the left bank of the RUPT DE MAD and also on the salient called LE SAC and on trenches from that point running north-northwest to and including LAHAYVILLE. The time of commencement and duration of machine gun fire will be the same as that of the Artillery.

The Commanding General, 52nd Infantry Brigade, is directed to place at the disposal of the Commanding Officer, 102nd Machine Gun Battalion, such guns and personnel as may be necessary for this purpose.

The Commanding Officer of Company "C," 101st Machine Gun Battalion, will report to the Commanding Officer, 102nd Machine Gun Battalion, for participation of his Company in the raid.

7. ARTILLERY: The Commanding General, 51st Field Artillery Brigade, will issue the necessary instructions for co-operation in accordance with the plan submitted.

The mission of the Artillery is:

(a) To lay down rolling barrage in front of the advancing infantry.
(b) To lay down the box barrage around the sector of operation.
(c) To execute counter-battery work.
(d) To carry out destructive fire or fire of interdiction against machine guns.
(e) To employ diversion fire at other selected points along the front.

8. ENGINEERS: The mission of the Engineers accompanying the raid is:

(a) To create breaks in the enemy wire by means of elongated charges.
(b) To follow the infantry for the purpose of blowing up shelters in the enemy lines.

10. SYNCHRONIZATION: Watches will be synchronized on Day "D" at noon by the Signal Corps Central and again at 18:00 o'clock.

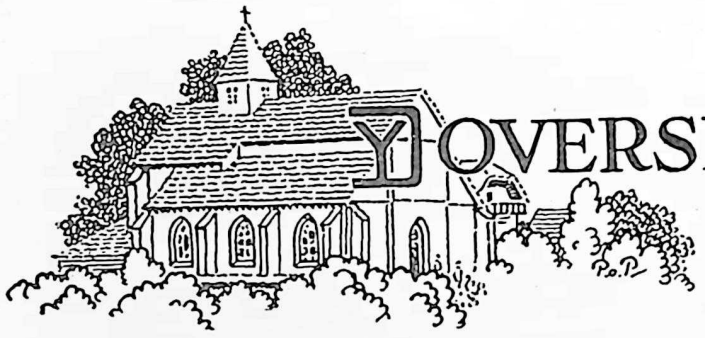
By command of Major General EDWARDS:

DUNCAN K. MAJOR, Jr.,
Chief of Staff.

TAPS

Capt. GEORGE PARKER, formerly of A Co., 101st M. P.'s, recently died in California and his body was brought to Framingham, Mass., for burial.

On April 8th, 1928, Major STEPHEN M. WALMSLEY, formerly of 101st Field Signal Battalion, and his wife were instantly killed in an automobile accident near Encino, New Mexico. Burial was at Arlington Cemetery on April 16. Major Walmsley's mother may be reached through his sister, Miss Alice Walmsley, whose address is Y.M.C.A. Cafeteria, Easton, Pa.



YD OVERSEAS MEMORIAL

"Every man give one day's pay"

Let's Go

The following copy of the cablegram sent by General SHERBURNE (LM) on April 17 to BERNARD S. CARTER, representing the YD Overseas Memorial in France, needs no comment:

April 17, 1928.

BERNARD S. CARTER
MORGAN & CIE.
PARIS

COMMITTEE BY UNANIMOUS VOTE AUTHORIZES IMMEDIATE CONSTRUCTION STOP WILL MAIL FULL POWER OF ATTORNEY.

JOHN H. SHERBURNE.

By the time you are reading these words, the soil of Belleau will be broken for the foundation of our Memorial Church! It is more than ever up to us now not to falter; our honor is committed. Those who have put off making some contribution until assured that our project was to be no idle dream now have that assurance. Put it off no longer!

The Secretary is desirous of obtaining the correct addresses of the following men, whose mail has been returned: MEDRIC E. LAFLEUR (104th Inf.); THEODORE H. COOLEY (H Co., 102nd Inf.); LEO THOMAS MEEKIN (F Co., 104th Inf.), and CLAUDE E. WHITE (Hq. Co., 102nd M.G. Bn.).

Publicity

Through the good work of PAUL HINES (M), publicity man par excellence, our Memorial burst forth in the Boston Sunday papers of May 6, in full splendor. The *Herald*, which publishes the only rotogravure in Boston, carried pictures of the Belleau Church before the war, the ruins as they look today, and a reproduction of the architect's water-color sketch of the Memorial Church as it will look completed. All of the papers carried the story of our project, particularly emphasizing the fact that the commencement of the work had been authorized and that the church is to be dedicated on May 30, 1929, by a Grand Pilgrimage of the veterans of the division to France.

The beautiful stage drop, depicting the Memorial Church, which first aroused such enthusiasm at the Annual Banquet of the Y.D.V.A. on April 7, has since become quite a traveler. It was shown at the Regimental Reunion of the 101st Engineers in the Cadet Armory on April 14, at the Reunion of the 102nd Infantry at New Haven on April 21, and the Reunion of the 104th Infantry Veterans Association at Greenfield on April 28. At the Engineers' time CARROLL SWAN (M) made the appeal for funds, while at New Haven and Greenfield, General SHERBURNE (LM) did the honors. In every case their efforts were fruitful.

In addition to these annual affairs, General EDWARDS (LM) spoke in behalf of the Memorial at Portland on April 28, and before the Annual Banquet of the 101st Field Signal Battalion on April 30.

Church vs Monument

The following letter gives one man's idea of the Memorial project in his own breezy style.

"France can get along without any more monuments or statues—they are all cluttered up with them now. If every outfit should plant a boulder on the spot where they think they won the war there'd not be enough land left to raise French fries on for the next war. And what would war be without *pommes des terres frites?*

"I congratulate your committee on picking out the kind of memorial that they did. The French have not as many churches as we have, but they are in use twenty-four hours of the day. I saw people praying in the churches in Paris at 2:00 o'clock in the morning, and they weren't M. P.'s either. Never mind what I was doing at that hour. Let's concentrate on churches.

"After the chapel is built we can lie abed Sundays imagining that we hear the bell ringing and that we see the people rallying around for divine worship—ducking at the cross roads and everything—and no non-com tagging them in, just going because they want to. And that bell will ring out for christenings, weddings, funerals and everything. Every bell stroke will carry from the old YD a message; a message that will say 'Here is a division that chose rather to build for the use and benefit of future generations than to erect a monument for their own glorification.'

"It seems to me that that will be worth whatever it costs."

—GEORGE F. POUTASSE (M)
Cambridge, Mass. (F Co., 101st Engrs.)

AMOUNTS RECEIVED TO MAY 1

	Cash	*Pledges*	*Total*
Div. Hq. Troop	$2512.80	$705.00	$3217.80
101st Inf.	1665.96	674.00	2339.96
101st F. A.....	5018.44	666.50	5684.94
101st Tr. M.....	30.00	18.00	48.00
101st Supply Tr.....	128.30	45.00	173.30
*101st San Tr.....	815.65	441.00	1256.65
101st F. Sig. Bn.....	297.40	65.00	362.40
101st Tr. Hq. & M. P.	211.45	30.00	241.45
101st M. G. Bn.....	412.19	20.00	432.19
101st M.O.R.S.	9.00		9.00
101st Engrs.	3161.15	468.50	3629.65
101st Amm. Tr.....	768.85	386.00	1154.85
102nd Inf.	1394.08	182.10	1576.18
102nd F. A.....	2073.50	150.75	2224.25
102nd M. G. Bn.....	887.55	217.00	1104.55
103rd Inf.	1606.50	4312.50	5919.00
103rd F. A.....	2382.20	186.50	2568.70
103rd M. G.	578.05	66.00	644.05
104th Inf.	1364.20	277.10	1641.30
51st Art. Brig.....	563.00		563.00
52nd Inf. Brig.	32.33	95.00	127.33
51st Inf. Brig.	128.40	35.00	163.40
Misc.	1106.90	1124.50	2231.40
Bank Interest	137.15		137.15
Postage on Brochures	1.92		1.92
TOTAL.....	$27,286.97	$10,165.45	$37,452.42

* Includes

101st F. H.	103rd F. H.
101st Amb.	103rd Amb.
101st San. Train	104th F. H.
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RHODE ISLAND

The contributions of the following men were incorrectly credited in the March issue of YANKEE DOINGS to M. G. Co., 103rd Infantry of Maine. They should have been and are hereby credited to C Co., 103rd M. G. Battalion of Rhode Island:

Edward Fletcher
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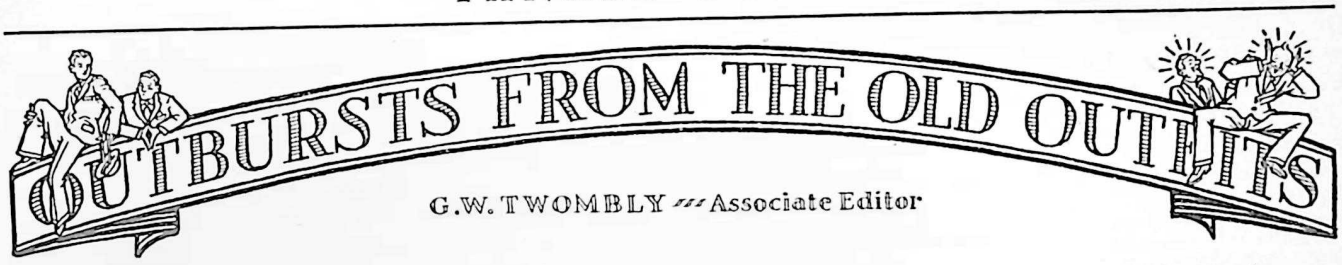

ENGINEER ENTRIES

WELFARE ASSOCIATION

Dr. Crossman gave a most interesting and helpful talk before the members at their March meeting.

On Saturday, April 14th, the annual reunion of the 101st U. S. Engineers took place at the Armory.

Miss Charlotte Flynn was chairman and was ably assisted by a large corps of workers. Members of the Welfare Association acted as hostesses. At six o'clock a roast beef supper was served at prettily decorated tables.

The YD Orchestra furnished music throughout the evening.

Col. CARROLL SWAN (M) made a most effective appeal for funds to assist in the construction of the YD Memorial Church in France, after which there was a moment of silent prayer for those who made the supreme sacrifice and Taps were sounded.

DOINGS OF D

D Company can certainly be proud of the fine spirit shown by its members. At the Regimental Reunion, April 14th, D Company had over 55 members present. Almost three times as many as any other one Company; some of the men coming from New Hampshire, Rhode Island and even more distant points in order to be present.

In addition to the pleasure of meeting the old members and talking over old times, we had the additional pleasure of presenting our "Skipper" with a very fine watch with which the men of the Company attempted to express a little of the appreciation they feel for all the services and helpful assistance the "Skipper" has shown towards members of the Company which began during the war and continued even in a greater measure up to the present time. CARROLL SWAN (M) certainly has been a friend to the men and especially those who really needed help, as many of the members of the Company can testify.

In addition to this presentation, our President read a very well worded letter of thanks to the members of the Welfare Association expressing appreciations of the men for their troubles and labors in putting over the Reunion each year. Many of the men had their wives with them and dancing and a general good time was had.

B. K. WEIBY has become tired of country life and moved to Boston. He is doing very well at his old trade of machinist and thinks he will sell his farm in Pembroke. WEIBY has two children.

We hear that JERRY O'LEARY is in the real estate business in Long Island. We hope he hasn't the same auto that he used to have.

GARCEAU is reported to be located in Providence. Address and business unknown.

D Co. had a large turn-out at the YD Banquet, April 7th, and all present will look forward to attending next year.

Our old friend GUY MESSENGER has started a new firm to handle automatic oil burners in Springfield, Mass. —E. F. W. (M)

Where are the (M)'s after these names, "E. F. W."?—Ed.

FANCIES OF F

The fact that CHARLEY MCLEOD made a return from the dead, showing up at the Club as announced in last month's DOINGS, was the cause of an increase in business for the telephone company. DARRAGH HIGGINS (M) no sooner read the news than he set out to find Charley or die in the attempt. At last reports he was on a hot scent. Just a matter of friendship, you know; he doesn't owe Darragh anything, so far as we know.

ED DANIEL (M), who has been for a number of years a resident of California, is now living in Osterville, down on the Cape, and has taken resident membership in the YD Club of Boston.

Had the pleasure of meeting another member of F the other day who has made himself scarce since the war: PETE CHAMBERLAIN. Pete is living in East Weymouth, married, with two boys, and is working for the Aetna Insurance Co.

And while we are on the subject of those who seldom put in appearance, we met FRED BRODHEAD (M) at the Y.D.V.A. Banquet in the Elks Hotel. Fred seemed to be thoroughly enjoying the party.

The F Company group at the Regimental affair in the Armory on April 14 seemed to be much smaller in numbers than in past years. However, a few faces were seen that have been in hiding for a long time.

DOINGS has received the following letter from CLARENCE H. KNIFFEN (M) (M Co., 102nd Inf.): "I see you write about JOE KENNA (M) once in a while in DOINGS. I was in A.P.O. 709 and the Kenna I knew came from F Company of the Engineers. If it is the same one it sure tickles me, as Joe sure is one nice fellow. He used to buy me beer and wine when I was broke, which was nearly all the time. So I am glad to pay $2.00 a year, just to learn that such a nice fellow as JOE KENNA (M) is still alive and belongs to a good organization." Kniffen's address is 22 Kingshighway, Bridgeport, Conn., if Joe would like to acknowledge the kind (and true) words.

Our old friend Doc Connors (M) has taken the plunge as noted under "Congratulations."

By this time you have received your notice of the annual "E-F War Babies" party. The one you never miss. This year it will be at the Arlington Hotel, on Saturday, May 26. Come and help make this the biggest, best and booziest (damn this typewriter—we meant breeziest) banquet yet.

A last minute report has reached this column, just before going to press, of a son born to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Purdy (M), on May 7.

—P. N. S. (M)

102ND M.G. BATTALION

A COMPANY

Stewart B. Johnston (M), taken sick, failed to improve on strict diet; operated on, improving. Why not drop "Stew" a few lines for comfort during his long hours of convalescense? Mail addressed to 10 Weybossett St., Providence, R. I., will reach him.

When cruising out near Westboro, don't search for Arthur W. Perrins. Westford, in "Old Homestead Orchards" is his correct address since leaving inundated-to-be Enfield.

And they come back. Harold I. Slocumb from New Jersey to sell candy north of Boston.

To Roll Call on April 7th—Y.D.V.A. Banquet—thirteen of Company A responded, muffled. (Imagine the scene if the same several hundred gathered in Paris ten years ago.) Citations for Bean, Bentley, Burnham, Cameron, Covey, Fardie, Fisher, Freeman, Havlin, Lambert, Nicholls (fore n'aft dinner), Norton, Sanborn—all members of course. Read last month's Yankee Doings for details.

Reunited, Thomas Roger Covey (M) with wife and two children. Not scandalous, for three-quarters of the family absorbed healthy sunshine and sea baths for past six months in California. "Pop" admits buying a house in Waban.

Flag-pole sitting, marathon dancing—endurance contests. A new hero, Edgar D. Andrews who talked to a customer from one till five o'clock. No witnesses could stand the pace till signature forced over dots.

Quite a schedule for modest Warren F. Freeman, Jr. (M) who spends April assessing for Boston, on Beacon Hill, visits Florida in early May with Shriners (mounted patrol), June in England, July in France. Understand no financial relationship between assessing and trip abroad.

Ralph H. Wing, missing three years, was discovered by John R. Sanborn (M) on short-skirted Tremont Street. Ralph operates for and from Pierce, Inc., 10 Ford Street, Hartford, Conn.

Raymond J. Cocklin (M) and Maurice E. Doolan, Rutland, Vermonters, hit town April 21st for Battalion Reunion which did not materialize due to no fault of "A" men. On the previous Wednesday, no invitations being received from the Battalion Association, Secretary, Ralph F. George was commandeered to put our reunion across April 28th. Hotel Bellevue was chosen as the setting.

EXTRA, LATEST. Reminiscent, less thirsty, speech makers, attentive, good fellows F. B. Andrews, Bagwell (M), Bean (M), Bentley (M), Boyle (M), Brady, Brown, Collins, Covey (M), Crockett, Daisey, Elliott, Fish, George, Havlin (M), Hunnewell (M), Jones, Kenny, Meehan, H. E. Moore, Newby (M), Nicholls (M), Patrick, C. Reed, Rodd (M), Root, Sanborn (M), Strout (M), answered the short notice call. Conflicting dates, permissionless wives, rotten weather, kept many others from the best reunion yet.

Curl up in the old chair, drag on the pipe, and dream of ten years ago. May, 1918. Into "Center H," floods, minniewerfers, pill boxes, trench into Germany, cold, rainy, mail, artillery fire and lightning storm, rain, field positions, bunks in Beaumont, Mother's Day, sickness, active artillery, out of trenches, cocoa at Ansauville, La Rehanne, promotions, Menil-la-Tour, baseball, replacements, warm days, swimming, inspections, pay, "Center B" behind Flirey, Senegalese, 75s, war *not* hell, non-com's school, artillery active, Humbert Plantation, War *is* Hell, activity, airplanes, Memorial Day, Million Dollar Barrage, warm gun barrels.

—A. C. H. (M)

SIGNAL CORPS SIGNALS

Sorry, but we have not much news this month. That is not entirely my fault—my reporters (everybody in the outfit) have failed to send in any items. Please don't let this happen again. One of the boys at the banquet gave me a polite scolding and told me that I was slipping. I said to him, sez I, "That's partly your fault."

You will find a report of the Annual Banquet elsewhere.

Shh! Here is a little secret that will be talked over at the next meeting—and then it won't be a secret any longer and we don't want it to be. One day just before the banquet Jim McGregor (M) went out to see Mrs. Clarence R. Edwards. No, that isn't the secret. In talking about the Signal Corps Veterans' Association Mrs. Edwards asked what we did during the year. Our Commander told about the Christmas party and other affairs and said that we were going to have a picnic this summer for our children—you know, just like at Christmas. Here's the little secret: Mrs. Edwards offered the use of their estate and wanted us to talk it over at the next meeting. Those of you who have been out to "Doneroving" (LM) know what a wonderful thing is in store for us and those who have not been so fortunate will have a great deal to which to look forward.

At the present writing Ray Corliss is confined to the Hart Hospital, Roxbury, because of an injury to his back. When I went over to see him I met two of the nurses. Ray says it is a fine place.

Harry Hall has been laid up nearly all winter, but is able now to be at work for most of the day.

He regretted very much his inability to be present at the annual dinner. They—he and his wife, Leone—are still living in New Haven but have moved to 295 Orchard Street. Harry is working for the Travelers Insurance Company. He asked to be remembered to all the boys.

ERNEST HOULE (M) called up to report that because of the necessity of his being out of town he was sorry that he would be compelled to miss the annual get-together. The GUS LOFBERGS could not come because both children were ill. GEORGE MURRAY had to attend a sick friend, but had hoped to get away for a short while. ELIOT TOZIER couldn't come because—well, he thought he'd better not; er, I'll save an item for next issue. G. W. T. (M)

YD CLUB OF WASHINGTON

The YD Club of Washington has enrolled the following members in the Y.D.V.A., paying their dues of $2.00 out of its own annual dues, in accordance with a provision of the Club's By-Laws, which provide that this shall be done.

LEONARD W. AHERN (M), Col. WILLIAM ALFONTE (M), Lieut. ALFRED J. BARTRAM (M), Capt. EUGENE F. BURR (M), DANIEL CARRAGHER (M), Hon. WILLIAM P. CONNERY, Jr. (M), Maj. Gen. B. FRANK CHEATHAM (M), Capt. ROLAND G. FENTON (M), Capt. M. M. FOWLER (M), NATE D. GOLDEN (M), JAMES H. GRAHAM (M), Col. RALPH H. HALLETT (M), Col. J. F. J. HERBERT (M), Col. THOMAS M. HUNTER (M), JOSEPH JORDAN (M), Lt. Col. A. A. MAYBACH (M), JOSEPH P. QUINLAN (M), Capt. JOHN L. SHANLEY (M), Lt. Col. HAROLD SHELDON (M), ERIC S. STEARNS (M), Gen. GEORGE S. SIMONDS (M), J. W. TAYLOR (M), JOSEPH WILNER (M), and MICHAEL INSELBUCH (M).

Of these, the following have been members during the past year, the others being new members: Gen. CHEATHAM (M), NATE GOLDEN (M), ERIC S. STEARN (M), Gen. SIMONDS (M) and MICHAEL INSELBUCH (M).

In addition to the names listed above, the following members of the YD Club of Washington are also members of the Y.D.V.A. for the coming year: RAYMOND J. QUEENIN (M) and JOSEPH F. BROWN (M).

The Treasurer of the Club, NATE GOLDEN (M), encloses a neatly bound little booklet giving the officers for 1928-29 (already printed in YANKEE DOINGS), the By-Laws, and the roster of members.

The following clipping from the *Washington Star* (May 6, 1928) refers to an erstwhile corporal, Headquarters Troop, 26th Division:

> JACK S. CONNOLLY, well known in Washington, where he formerly represented the Will Hays organization, arrived back in town from Europe Tuesday. He now represents the Fox Movietone News, the news reel.
>
> While abroad CONNOLLY secured many notables for exclusive appearances before the Movietone camera, including King George and the Prince of Wales while in London.
>
> CONNOLLY was brought back to the States for the forthcoming conventions of the major political parties.

There have recently been an increasing number of YD men ordered into the Diagnostic Center, in Washington, by the Veterans Bureau, for observation to determine the true extent of their disabilities. Out at Mt. Alto the other day, the writer found PHILIP ENGLAND (M) (101st Amm. Tr.) and SAM NELSON (101st Engrs.). It is always a pretty good bet that any YD man who is ordered here is soon known of and anything within reason that he needs is forthcoming. Congressman BILLY CONNERY (M) literally haunts the hospitals here on the look-out for his old buddies. Bill is keeping the faith.

The local Club is not as active as some of its members might wish. There will be the customary Memorial Day exercises at Arlington this year and possibly a field day down the Potomac during the summer. We certainly do miss HAP GLASSFORD, who is now soldiering out at Fort Riley, Kansas.

On the occasion of the Aleppo Shrine pilgrimage to the White House, enroute home from the convention at Miami, there was an impromptu turnout of local Yankee Division folks hoping to see some YD Shriners. The temperature was around 93, and the march from Union Station up Pennsylvania Ave. to the White House must have been worse than hiking across the "hot sands." Col. E. R. REDMOND and Captain ROLAND FENTON (M), both members of the Shrine from Boston, turned out with their brothers from the East. They looked pretty good, too.

"H-ER COMP."

With this issue of YANKEE DOINGS let us give a thought to those of our comrades who made the supreme sacrifice ten years ago, and to those others who have passed on since. On Memorial Day why not pay a visit to at least one of the cemeteries where our comrades whose bodies have been brought home are buried? If you do not know the location of any such, drop a line to H Company, 101st Infantry, Veterans Association, 200 Huntington Avenue, and we will give you such information as we have.

ELMER STACY (M), who lives in New York, was on for the Y.D.V.A. banquet, and wished to be remembered to all the boys.

We wish to convey to the Rev. HAROLD I. FAIR (M) our sincere congratulations on his election as Chaplain of the Yankee Division Veterans Association.

BILL HAYES (M) was very prominent at the YD banquet.

LARRY GLASHEEN is now driving a truck for the City of Boston.

BILLY HAIGH (M) is working for the Lee Tire Company—days. Nights he is taking vocal and theatrical dancing lessons. We hope to see his "name in lights" some day.

"Dutch" (Little Willy) Holland is still in the leather business and going strong.

We have been asked, "Where is Jack Shields (M) these days?" We will have to let Jack answer for himself. Where are you keeping yourself, Jack?

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Ned Weaving is a regular visitor to Bill Hayes (M) and always makes his calls no place other than in front of the State House. One time he was sober when he was called.

Flip Constanza is a sergeant in F Company, 101st Infantry, M.N.G., which outfit is commanded by John "Hick" Gleason. —E. H. C. (M)

YD AUXILIARY

After the business meeting of April 11, a social hour was held and enjoyed by the members. A collation was served.

A chicken pie supper and entertainment and dance will be held in the hall at the YD Club, May 23. The Entertainment Committee has a fine time planned for all.

Mrs. Deale and Mrs. Anderson visited Rutland Hospital and took four afghans to some of our boys. They visited with a few, but it was so near the rest period that it was impossible to see all that they would have liked to, but will take the trip again soon and plan to visit all.

The Sewing Committee and members met at Mrs. Lillian Gale's home and finished a large amount of work for Rutland Hospital. Those of our members who do not attend these meetings certainly miss a pleasant time. If they would attend one I know that they wouldn't let another one go past without being present.

A whist party was held April 24th at the YD Club. The committee at this time wants to thank the members and friends for helping to make this such a great success. —Marion E. Drayton
Chairman of Publicity

CONGRATULATIONS

The marriage of Rev. Johnson Abbott Haines (M) (C Co., 101st F. A.) and Miss Mona Arlene Gallison was solemnized on April the Thirtieth at the Union Congregational Church, Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Haines will reside in Hinsdale, N. H., where he has a pastorate.

On April 18, Dr. Harold James Connor (M) (1st Lieut. Med. Det., 101st Engrs.) and Miss Louise Cragg were married at St. John's Church in Concord, N. H. Dr. and Mrs. Connor will reside at 41 Auburn Street, Concord.

Carl W. Zollinger (M) (C Co., 101st Engrs.) and Lucy M. Villiotte of Boston were married in Boston, Friday, April 27. They will reside in Somerville after the honeymoon in New York.

PORTLAND YD AUXILIARY

At the last meeting of the Auxiliary the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Leon E. Hall; Vice-President, Mrs. Fred E. Martin; Secretary, Mrs. Harold T. Keating; Treasurer, Mrs. Owen P. Benton; Press Correspondent, Mrs. George W. Morrell; Sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. Willard P. Lovejoy; Floral Committee, Mrs. Victor Erickson.

—"Minnie La Tour" (M)

THE WOODPECKER OF LANE, S. D.

Editor of YANKEE DOINGS:

No! I ain't no Scotchman. But if you know history you will remember that the Scotch are descendants of the Vikings and the Scotch canniness is a Viking trait. My forefathers were Vikings; hence my reason for keeping my money until I made sure that YANKEE DOINGS was worth $2.00.

Well, it is worth it and a darn sight more than that; in fact it is worth almost anything you want to ask for it (up to about $2.75 or maybe three bucks?).

Therefore, while I am in a sentimental and magnanimous mood, I hasten to send in my dues and also my application for the YD Service Certificate, signed by "The Old Man." Also a small additional contribution to the Overseas Memorial to be credited to the 104th Field Hospital in the hopes that the old Sanitary Train will again go over the top. You know the medicos did go over the top occasionally.

Your old friend, "Diablo" isn't so dumb after all, and sounds like a pretty well meaning cuss; but otherwise don't pay any attention to "them birds" that are always razzing the paper; but in the future, as in the past, do as you damn please and suit yourself, and it will be all right with

"The Woodpecker"
CARL A. JENSEN (M)
104th Field Hospital

Lane, S. D.
May 3

YD POST 290, A. L. COSTUME PARTY

Wednesday evening, the 8th of April, the YD Clubhouse saw another of the familiar YD Legion Post Costume Parties with a second-to-none display of handsome costumes. Some of the outstanding ones were those of "MUG" MURDOCK (M), who was garbed in caveman apparel (very appropriate for him) and carrying a banana-stalk club. Only the tail was missing. CHARLEY WELSH (M), as an Indian chief, was also in appropriate character. His better half came as a squaw and added much color to friend husband. Mrs. Murdock also completed the family tableau as a cave woman.

ALLEN LYNDELL (M) held sway over "Topsy" (Mrs. Lyndell) in their Uncle Tom's Cabin combination.

Hussars, toreadors aplenty, sailors, Hindus, Argentines, and in general, a great array of cosmopolitan color.

Imported from India for a special engagement appeared India's greatest fakir (MARK KING) (M), who had America's ablest manager (JIM LYNCH) (M), in their act, which astounded even the most skeptical of their sophisticated brothers-in-arms and sisters of the powder. Secrets were disclosed that only a Somerville electrician could divulge in the course of their memorable accomplishments before the vast audience of 100 or more. Watches were smashed inside handkerchiefs only to be returned whole to the owner without the slightest damage. Snakes were also in evidence, having been transferred hence from their jungle habitat of India by the Great Aman Almed. Several were astonished at the stupendous feat, not being able to realize that such a thing could be done until next morning, when their minds emerged from their "terraqueous" condition.

Each and every one present made a record in having this one very smooth affair, and in consequence, the order of the day is to have these parties early and often.

PERLEY WHITE (M), local tooter of the higher tempoes at the Club, furnished the musical score. Not the least of his accomplishments was making the men of the Post step out who swore they never could do the steps before.

After the evening of dancing came to an end, the gang, with all the colorful costumes, made one wide get-away and landed at the Chinese Restaurant on Massachusetts Avenue, where hospitality of a new form was offered, nothing being too good for such a party in the eyes of the Chinese. Welcome food and plentiful laughter brought to a close a wonderful evening. —C. W. Z. (M)

YD POST 290, A. L. AUXILIARY

On Thursday evening, April 26, a special business meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Bernard Murdock in Somerville. Final arrangements for the dance were made. All committees reported favorably and returns on tickets were received. Most encouraging was the report we had already made a great deal over our expenses. After the meeting a collation was served by the hostess.

A most successful dancing party was held on the evening of May 1 at the Oak Square Bungalow, Brighton. Mrs. Charles Welsh was Chairman of the Dance Committee composed of officers and members. The Tech Ramblers furnished excellent music. Very attractive blue and gold favors were made by Mrs. Frank Fardie and the hall was pleasingly decorated in the May pastel shades. Co-operation between the Post and the Auxiliary carried the unit's First Annual Dance "over the top." —M. E. M.

MEMORIES

Among the lucky Yanks to return to France last Fall was "CHUCK" NEARY (C Co., 102nd M. G. Bn.), at present Chief of the Natick Fire Department. (Incidentally, he made it his honeymoon and forgot all about fires for a while.)

While there Chuck revisited the town of Breu La Chetive, where he was billeted in the winter of 1917-18 and, like every good YD man, immediately visited the cafe where he was wont to hang out in the old days. Entering, Chuck was greeted with great enthusiasm by the same old proprietor and after being hugged and kissed he finally managed to say: "So you still remember me!"

"Oh, oui, oui, une minute, une minute, mon ser-

geant," and rushing into the back room he brought out an old account book, dusted off the cover, and slowly turned the pages until he came to page 13. Holding the book so Chuck could see he said, "Look." Chuck looked and saw written there "Sergeant Neary, cognac, 20 francs, January 29, 1918."

Oh yes, he remembered, and the old saying holds true: "France will never forget."

—JOHN J. MAGUIRE (M)
(F Co., 101st Inf.)

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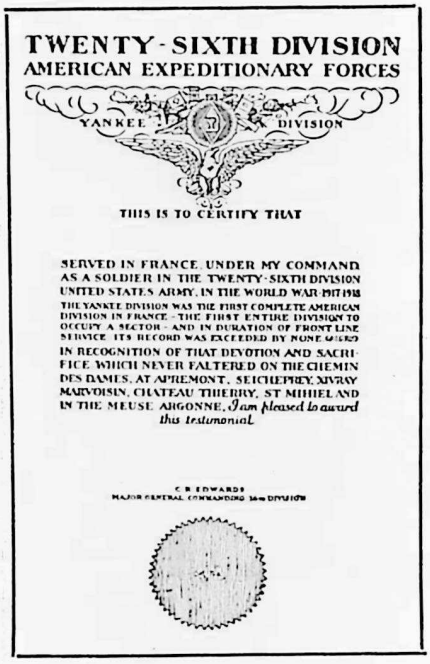
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We have more news from the Pacific in the letters of LEON F. DENIS (M) (Supply Co., 104th Inf.), who is stationed at Schofield Barracks, T. H. Mail there is quite infrequent and he appreciates, therefore, hearing from anybody who finds time to write. A list of names for possible new members was enclosed and we'll try to line 'em up. Leon hopes to see printed at least one Field Order in each issue of this paper. The necessary francs and application were enclosed for a "Service Certificate" to be signed by "the best two-star General living." L. D. closes after warning us to keep our feet on the duck-boards.

When Aleppo Temple, Ancient Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, pulled out of Boston in their flaming regalia, bound for the annual convention in Miami, they took with them two of the Club's regulars: BEN JAMES (M) (101st F. A.) and "POP" DAVIS (M) (101st Inf.).

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